

## **2015 Fall Softball Men's League Rules**

1. We will play one doubleheader per week per team.
2. The pitch should not reach a height over the pitchers head at any time. The pitch will be a 1-3 foot arc at a slow speed.
3. A 20 run rule will be in effect after 4 innings or a 12 run rule will be in effect after 5 innings.
4. Three homeruns per team for each game – excess will be an out.
  - a. Division A will use a progressive home run rule after the limit of 3 is hit by both teams.
5. Teams will provide game balls (new or used). **\*\*\* CORE .52 / 300 COMPRESSION BALLS and CORE .44 ONLY**
6. The season will last six or seven weeks with a single elimination playoff.
7. ASA one pitch rules will be in effect.
8. Teams will take the field at 6:15 for the first double-header. The second double-header will start at 7:45 or following the first double-header.
9. If you have less than ten players an out will be taken for each player less than ten. (8 PLAYERS MINIMUM TO START).
10. A tenth player may be added at any time during the game.
11. A team may bat as many players as they want. If you finish the game with fewer players than you started an out will be taken for that position in the order. Excess players batting will be considered DP's.
12. A team may utilize Designated Hitters (DH's) during the game.
13. Any player ejected will be done for the night plus the following week. If a player or coach is ejected a second time by the umpire, he will not be permitted to participate in the next three scheduled games. A third ejection will result in suspension for the remainder of the season. Suspended players and coaches are not allowed to sit on the bench.
14. The casual profanity rule will be in effect.
15. No metal cleats.
16. In case of rain Captains Only may call Parks & Recreation by 4:30 pm at 680-4744. Any team found on a field after a rain cancellation or when an employee of the Parks & Recreation Department deems the field unplayable will be sanctioned as the Parks & Recreation Department deems necessary. Waterville Parks & Recreation will review

each violation individually and will determine the sanction at that time. You can also check our facebook page Monday – Friday for information on games.

17. You must be at least 16 years old to play and only with a parent present on the team.
18. You are not allowed to play for more than one team. If this occurs, the team will forfeit.
19. Courtesy runners may be used for hurt players. The runner will be the person who made the last out. A courtesy runner may only be used for a person occupying first base. Any player requesting a courtesy runner cannot progress beyond first base, unless the player is injured during the play. **A Division – there will be no courtesy runners allowed.**
20. Bats certified/approved by the ASA are permissible. Use of banned ASA bats is strictly prohibited. If any member of your team is caught using a banned bat, the player will be banned from playing on any Waterville field for one year from the date they are caught and the entire team will be warned. If any player from that team is caught using a banned bat after the warning, the entire team will be banned for one year from the date you are caught. This includes any tournaments that are held in Waterville, whether or not they are sponsored by the Waterville Parks and Recreation Department. Your team is subject to an official checking of all bats at any time during a game.
  - a. Miken Freaks of any kind, Juggernauts, and Easton Salvos are not allowed in the B Division.
  - b. All bats must have a label that is legible. The umpire must be able to determine the model number of the bat. If the umpire is unable to determine the model number of the bat, it will be declared ineligible.

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